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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q54509

Hidenori YAMANAKA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/317,986

Group Art Unit: 1771

Confirmation No.: 9754

Examiner: C. Pratt

Filed: May 25, 1999

For: MELT-BLOWN, NON-WOVEN FABRIC OF POLYARYLENE SULFIDE AND
METHOD FOR PRODUCING SAME

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please consider the following Applicants response to the outstanding action of June 5, 2002, twice extended due November 5, 2002 by an appropriate two month Petition for Extension of Time and fee submitted herewith.

REMARKS

Review and reconsideration on the merits are requested.

Claims 6 and 8 will be amended by changing "down" to "blown".

Applicants now present their traversal of the rejection claims 1, 18 and 21 as anticipated by Fukata, the rejection of these same claims as being obvious over Harwood, Ikeda or Auerback each in view of Fukata, the rejection of claims 6, 8 and 10 as obvious over the preceding references each further in view of Senga and the rejection of claims 19-20 over the references in the preceding rejection further other either Yu, Stone or Ramsey.